

By Mr. MEEKS of New York (for himself, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. JACKSON of Illinois):

H. Res. 591. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Supreme Court of the United States should improve its employment practices with regard to hiring more qualified minority applicants to serve as clerks to the Justices; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ¶106.66 PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. ORTIZ:

H.R. 4783. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel GRIEFSSWALD; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. YATES:

H.R. 4784. A bill for the relief of Marin Turcinovic, and his fiancée, Corina Dechalup; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ¶106.67 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 23: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. STUPAK, Ms. LEE, Mr. COYNE, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. VENTO.

H.R. 44: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 167: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 168: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 371: Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SOUDER, and Mrs. BONO.

H.R. 616: Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 836: Mr. SHAYS and Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

H.R. 900: Mr. BECERRA, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, and Mr. THOMPSON.

H.R. 1059: Mr. HILL.

H.R. 1073: Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H.R. 1111: Mr. DRIER and Mr. HALL of Ohio.

H.R. 1126: Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 1232: Mr. KLECZKA and Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

H.R. 1261: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.

H.R. 1354: Mr. LANTOS and Mr. GEJDENSON.

H.R. 1401: Mr. ACKERMAN.

H.R. 2009: Mr. ROEMER.

H.R. 2273: Mr. JENKINS.

H.R. 2397: Mr. WISE and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.

H.R. 2465: Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 2524: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 2560: Mr. HASTERT, Mr. GALLEGLY, and Mr. MURTHA.

H.R. 2635: Mr. MINGE and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin.

H.R. 2715: Mr. NEY and Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.

H.R. 2733: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H.R. 2908: Mr. HOEKSTRA.

H.R. 2938: Mr. VISLOSKEY.

H.R. 2950: Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 3008: Mr. GILLMOR.

H.R. 3033: Mr. DEUTSCH.

H.R. 3279: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 3514: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, and Mr. LEVIN.

H.R. 3572: Mr. BUYER.

H.R. 3637: Mr. FATTAH.

H.R. 3702: Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 3720: Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. NORWOOD, and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 3766: Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 3779: Mr. BOB SCHAFER, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. SAWYER, and Mrs. WILSON.

H.R. 3794: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 3833: Mr. UNDERWOOD.

H.R. 3879: Mr. EWING.

H.R. 3946: Mr. DOYLE, Ms. SANCHEZ, and Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 3949: Mr. THOMAS and Mr. DICKEY.

H.R. 3956: Ms. BROWN of Florida and Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

H.R. 4019: Mr. SPRATT and Mr. DOYLE.

H.R. 4035: Mr. HILL, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. POSHARD, and Mrs. NORTHUP.

H.R. 4036: Mr. HILL, Mr. BAKER, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. FALCOMA, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. DICKS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. PARKER, Mr. SHAW, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. POSHARD, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.

H.R. 4126: Mrs. LINDA SMITH of Washington.

H.R. 4127: Mr. SANDERS.

H.R. 4130: Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 4153: Mr. CAMP.

H.R. 4154: Mr. NORWOOD.

H.R. 4291: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut.

H.R. 4358: Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 4383: Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. NORWOOD.

H.R. 4415: Mr. SCARBOROUGH.

H.R. 4449: Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin and Mr. HINOJOSA.

H.R. 4467: Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BONIOR, and Ms. DELAURE.

H.R. 4492: Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. METCALF, and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 4513: Mr. REDMOND.

H.R. 4545: Mr. PALLONE.

H.R. 4546: Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MCCREY, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. BOB SCHAFER, Mr. PORTER, Mr. TALENT, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN, and Mr. CHAMBLISS.

H.R. 4552: Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 4553: Mr. BEREUTER and Mr. BOB SCHAFER.

H.R. 4581: Mr. OBERSTAR.

H.R. 4628: Mr. FARR of California.

H.R. 4648: Mr. MARKEY, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, and Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 4653: Mr. FILNER, Mr. TRAFICANT, and Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 4683: Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SHERMAN, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 4686: Mr. FORD.

H.R. 4709: Mr. YOUNG of Florida.

H.R. 4717: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. ADERHOLT.

H.R. 4727: Mr. MURTHA, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. PALLONE.

H.R. 4733: Mr. BENTSEN.

H.R. 4737: Ms. ESHOO.

H. Con. Res. 122: Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H. Con. Res. 229: Ms. GRANGER, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H. Con. Res. 274: Mr. GOSS and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

H. Con. Res. 286: Mr. OBERSTAR and Ms. MCKINNEY.

H. Con. Res. 314: Mr. CANADY of Florida.

H. Con. Res. 325: Mr. CONYERS.

H. Con. Res. 328: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. OBEY, Mr. TANNER, Mr. HOEKSTRA, and Mr. BENTSEN.

H. Con. Res. 335: Mrs. MORELLA.

H. Con. Res. 345: Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. FORBES, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. GREEN, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. COOK, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. TALENT, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H. Res. 406: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.

H. Res. 483: Mr. SAWYER, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. MEEKS of New York.

H. Res. 519: Mr. GOODLING.

H. Res. 561: Mr. PORTER.

H. Res. 571: Mr. GRAHAM and Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1998 (107)

#### ¶107.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BASS, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
October 10, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable CHARLES F. BASS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

#### ¶107.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BASS, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, October 9, 1998.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

#### ¶107.3 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

11630. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting a report to Congress containing a plan to reduce overhead costs of the supply management activities of the Defense Logistics Agency and the military departments so that the overhead costs for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2000 do not exceed eight percent of net sales at standard price by Inventory Control Points during that year; to the Committee on National Security.

11631. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Ginnie Mae MBS Program: Book Entry Securities [Docket No. FR-4331-1-01] received October 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11632. A letter from the Acting Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, transmitting the Network's final rule—Amendment to the Bank Secrecy Act Regulations—Exemptions from the Requirements to Report Transactions in Currency—Phase II (RIN: 1506-AA12) received September 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

11633. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a report to Congress on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

11634. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting Final regulations—Federal Work-Study Programs (RIN: 1840-AC56), pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

11635. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a Consolidated Report to Congress on the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program Implementation Assessments (PIAs) for Fiscal Years 1992-1997; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

11636. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Louisiana: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions [FRL-6176-1] received October 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11637. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Idaho: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [FRL-6176-7] received October 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

11638. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Army's Proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Taipei for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 99-02), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

11639. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a notification that an emergency exists which requires that consent to the proposed transfer, of electronic counter-measure pods, on a temporary basis to the Government of Norway, become effective immediately in the national security interests of the United States; to the Committee on International Relations.

11640. A letter from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act from October 1, 1997 to September 30, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11641. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Procurement List Additions—received October 9, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11642. A letter from the Director of Executive Budgeting and Assistance Management, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Audit Requirements for Institutions of Higher Education and Other Non-Profit Organization [Docket No. 980925248-8248-01] (RIN: 0605-AA12) received October 8, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11643. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department of Transportation's first annual Performance Plan under the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

11644. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Geothermal Resources Leasing and Operations [AA-610-08-4141-02] (RIN: 1004-AB18) received October 10, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

11645. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998 [OJP (BJA)-1192] (RIN: 1121-AA48) received September 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

11646. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former Presidents, members of their families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

11647. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a report with rec-

ommendations on the feasibility and environmental benefits of requiring tank vessels to carry oil spill prevention and response equipment; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

11648. A letter from the Secretary of Labor and Chairman of the Board, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the 23rd Annual Report of the Corporation, which includes the Corporation's financial statements as of September 30, 1997, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1308; jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means.

11649. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report on the agencies plan for achieving a drug-free workplace, pursuant to Public Law 102-321, 101(a) (106 Stat. 327); jointly to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and Appropriations.

11650. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare Program; Hospice Wage Index [HCFA-1039-N] (RIN: 0938-A187) received October 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

#### ¶107.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 624. An Act to amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and to improve the flow of interstate commerce.

H.R. 1021. An Act to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado.

H.R. 3069. An Act to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council.

H.R. 3830. An Act to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah.

H.R. 4337. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria.

H.R. 4679. An Act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the circumstances in which a substance is considered to be a pesticide chemical for purposes of such act, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 131. Joint resolution waiving certain enrollment requirements for the remainder of the One Hundred Fifth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 3494. An Act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to violent sex crimes against children, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills and concurrent resolutions of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1752. An Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain administrative sites and use the proceeds for the acquisition of office sites and the acquisition, construction, or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest, Prescott National Forest, and Tonto National Forest in the State of Arizona.

S. 2087. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain works, facilities, and titles of the Gila Project, and designated lands within or adjacent to the Gila Project, to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, and for other purposes.

S. 2131. An Act to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 2133. An Act to preserve the cultural resources of the Route 66 corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance.

S. 2401. An Act to authorize the addition of the Paoli Battlefield site in Malvern, Pennsylvania, to Valley Forge National Historical Park.

S. 2402. An Act to direct the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to convey certain lands in San Juan County, New Mexico, to San Juan College.

S. 2413. An Act prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made to the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or is authorized by act of Congress.

S. 2458. An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the "Warren Property".

S. 2500. An Act to protect the sanctity of contracts and leases entered into by surface patent holders with respect to coalbed methane gas.

S. 2513. An Act to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land located within or adjacent to Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal land in Oregon.

S. Con. Res. 83. Concurrent resolution remembering the life of George Washington and his contributions to the Nation.

S. Con. Res. 119. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the American Red Cross Blood Services.

#### ¶107.5 SUSPENSION OF THE RULES NOTICE

Mr. DREIER, pursuant to House Resolution 575, at 10:02 a.m. announced the Speaker would recognize Members for motions to suspend the rules under clause 2 of rule XXVII with respect to the following bills to be considered today: S. 1677, to reauthorize the North American Wetlands Conservation Act and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act; H.R. 3046, to provide for financial assistance for higher education to the dependents of Federal, State, and local public safety officers who are killed or permanently and totally disabled as the result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty; and H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, and for other purposes.